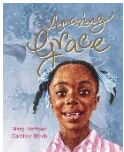
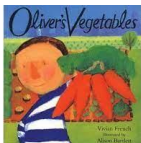
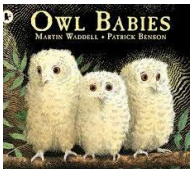
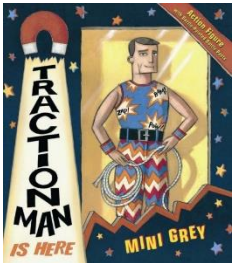




Year 2 Curriculum Overview for Parents

Autumn 2 2023

What will your child be learning this half term?

Guided Reading –This half term we will be reading ‘This half term we will be reading ‘Amazing Grace’ by Mary Hoffman, ‘Oliver’s Vegetables’ by Vivian French and ‘Owl Babies’ by Martin Waddell together in class. We will work on developing our comprehension skills by focusing on Vocabulary, Inference, Prediction, Explanation, Retrieval and Sequence.   	Religious Education (R.E.) –We will start our new half term learning about ‘Parables and miracles’ where children will find out about a range of miracles Jesus performed and the parables he told. We will then be moving into the season of Advent where children will develop their knowledge of the time, symbols and characters of the liturgical Season of Advent. We will be exploring Advent being a season of preparation for Christmas through the story of John the Baptist.
Writing – During this half term we will be reading the story ‘Traction Man’ by Mini Grey. Based on this text, children will write their own version of a journey story as well as a write a persuasive advert for a new toy. To finish our term, we will be writing a diamante Poem. 	Maths – To start our half term, children will be focusing on multiplication of 2, 5 and 10. We will then move onto division and using different methods to solve questions. Children will learn all about length where they will measure in cm and m and compare different lengths. Throughout the half term, children will be applying their knowledge of maths to solve a range of word problems.
Spelling, Punctuation & Grammar – Our focus for this half term is to embed what we have learnt so far using adjectives and conjunctions confidently in our writing. We will be introducing suffixes as well as different sentences types including questions and exclamations.	Mental Maths - This half term we will focus on: • Multiplication facts linked to the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. • Quick recall of addition and subtraction facts.
History - During this half term children will be learning about Bonfire Night and Remembrance. They learn about why Guy Fawkes wanted to blow up the Houses of Parliament and explore why we celebrate bonfire night today. We will then learn about Remembrance Day and discuss how the UK and other countries commemorate those who died in the war.	Science – Our Science unit for this half term is ‘Mixing and Making’. Children will identify solids, liquids and gasses. They will explore what a mixture is a carry out a variety of experiments. Children will also identify changes that are reversible and irreversible.
Physical Education (P.E.) In PE this half term, children will be covering dance and dodgeball. In dance, children will explore different ways of moving in time to music and look to co-operate with others to perform short routines. In dodgeball, children will develop their throwing and catching skills in a competitive environment that encourages team work, honesty and a sense of fair play.	Personal, Social & Health Education (PSHE) – During PSHE this half term we will be focusing on: - How to keep ourselves safe in the dark and around fireworks. - How bullying affects people and how to get help. - How we are created out of love by God.

Children will need their PE kit in school on Wednesday and Friday.	- How we all are unique with our own gifts and talents. - How boys and girls are both similar and different. - How to look after our bodies and stay healthy. - How Christmas is celebrated throughout the world.
Design and Technology – In our DT lessons, children will be designing and making their very own car where they will explore and use mechanisms including wheels and axles. When children have made their final design, they will do an evaluation thinking about what worked well and what they would change.	Computing – During this half term, children will learn about programming. Children will develop their understanding of instructions in sequences and the use of logical reasoning to predict outcomes. Children will use given commands in different orders to investigate how the order affects the outcome. They will also learn about design in programming.
Music – During this half term, through instrumental performance, children will learn a repertoire of pieces in an ensemble setting. Pieces include: Reggae Four, Rise and Fall.	

Other Important Information
Homework in Year 2 ● Children are expected to read every day for 15 - 20 minutes – please sign your child’s planner to show that this has been completed. ● Spellings will be put into planners and shared on the class page of the school website. Please help your child to learn these spellings at home. Spelling tests will take place on Fridays each week. ● Mental Maths – The focus for our mental maths each week will be put into planners and displayed on the class website page. Please help your child to practise at home. Mental Maths will take place on Wednesdays. We hope your child settles well into Year 2. If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to one of us at the end of the school day or contact the school office to make an appointment- we are here to help. Miss Edwards & Mrs Dawes